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SUBJ: PROPOSED HURRICANE MODIFICATION EXPERIMENT: PROJECT STORMFURY - ATLANTIC, JULY 15-OCTOBER 15

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- 1. ACTING USINT CHIEF, JUNE 30, WAS RECEIVED BY MARIO RODRIGUEZ NUNEZ, DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE OF METEOROLOGY, AND BIENVIENIDO GARCIA, USA DIVISION, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS TO DISCUSS STORMFURY EXPERIMENT. NEITHER OFFICIAL EXPRESSED FIRM OPPOSITION TO EXPERIMENT NOR WAS LIABILITY QUESTION RAISED. RODRIGUEZ NUNEZ ASKED ONLY THAT NOAA PICK TIME OF YEAR AND STORM WITH TRAJECTORY THAT WOULD MOST LIKELY ASSURE THAT HURRICANE WOULD PROCEED INTO ATLANTIC, NOT GULF.HE ALSO ASKED THAT CUBANS BE IMMEDIATELY INFORMED WHEN NOAA BEGINS WORK ON A STORM.
- 2. RODIRGUEZ NUNEZ POINTED OUT THAT CUBANS AND OTHER CARIBBEAN AREA EXPERTS STILL BELIEVE THAT STORMFURY-TYPE EXPERIMENTS CAN ALTER STORM'S COURSE BY CHANGING ITS THERMODYNAMIC BALANCE
- 3. RODRIGUEZ NUNEZ PROVIDED US WITH BOOK COMPILED BY INSTITUTE OF METEOROLOGY WITH MAPS OF ALL HURRICANE AND CYCLONE TRAJECTORIES BETWEEN 1919 AND 1969. (BOOK WILL BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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POUCHED TO OES/ENP/EN.) RODRIGUEZ NUNEZ SAID THAT HISTORICAL DATA SHOWED THAT ATLANTIC STORMS, PARTICULARLY FROM JULY TO SEPTEMBER, HAVE TENDENCY TO TURN TOWARD INTERIOR OF CARIBBEAN.

4. COMMENT: RODRIGUEZ NUNEZ PLANS TO ATTEND COMMISSION ON BASIC SYSTEMS SPONSORED BY WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION IN

WASHINGTON IN NOVEMBER. IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO OFFER STORMFURY BRIEFING TO HIM ON THAT OCCASION AND TO ASSURE HIM THAT CUBA WILL BE NOTIFIED WHEN STORMFURY EXPERIMENT TAKES PLACE.
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